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Selectmen Minutes 09-11-2000

7:15 p.m.

Present: Mr. Lyons – Acting Chairman, Mrs. Dias, Mr. Hurd, Mrs. Mahon

Also Present: Mr. Marquis, Mr. Maher, Ms. Cove

FOR APPROVAL

APPOINTMENTS

Cyrus E. Dallin Art Museum Board of Trustees

James P. McGough, 11 West Court Terrace, present.

Mrs. Dias moved approval. (4-0) SO VOTED

Request for Payment of Bills

Cyrus E. Dallin Art Museum Board of Trustees

Mrs. Mahon moved approval. (4-0) SO VOTED

New Election Workers

Mary Jane Morgan, 17A Fairmont St., Pct. 4, U

Michael L. Cacciamani, 135 Franklin St., Pct. 5, D

Prudence Murray, 17 Mill St. #524, Pct. 9, D

Pauline G. Gardiner, 11 Menotomy Rocks Drive, Pct. 10, D

Charles W. Hayes, 31 Johnson Rd., Pct. 11, R

Martha Jefferson, 39 College Ave., Pct. 13, D

Dorothy F. Ronell, 234 Park Ave., Pct. 16, D

Mary I. Ronan, 1 Brewster Rd., Pct. 18, D

Olga M. Kleszics, 39 Epping St., Pct. 19, U

Mr. Hurd moved approval. (4-0) SO VOTED

Town Day Update

René Tsoukalas, CoChair, 46 Grafton Street was present to update the Board on the planned activities for Town Day. The Board thanked Mrs. Tsoukalas for her hard work and dedication to the success of Town Day.

Request for One-Day Liquor License

Town Manager Retirement Party – 9/23/00

Patsy Kraemer, Director of Human Services was present on behalf of the party committee.

Mrs. Dias moved approval. (4-0) SO VOTED

Boston Edison Petition

80 Summer Street, W.O. #1087255

Work necessary to provide an underground electric service to new townhouse development
(all abutters notified)

Sheila Gillis was present on behalf of Boston Edison. Mrs. Mahon requested that Boston Edison repair a streetlight in front of 115 High Heath Road.

Mr. Hurd moved approval of:

Mill Street-Easterly, approximately 112 feet south of Summer Street, a distance of about 5 feet-conduit. (4-0) SO VOTED

LICENSES & PERMITS

Request for Public Entertainment License, 9/19/00

Tony Rocha, Gala Restaurant, 138 Mass. Ave.

Mr. Hurd moved approval. (4-0) SO VOTED

All Alcohol Club License/Change of Manager

Columbus Club of Arlington, 15 Winslow St., Robert Cullinane, Club Manager, present.

Mrs. Mahon moved approval. (4-0) SO VOTED

Wine and Malt Beverages Only License

Restaurant Blue Basil Inc., d/b/a Blue Basil, 92 Summer St., Sasikarn Lerttrongjhr Franklin, President

Mrs. Mahon moved approval. (4-0) SO VOTED

Request for One-Day Liquor License

Design for Learning, Jefferson Cutter House, 11/10/00, 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m

Virginia Anderson, 277 Washington Street was present.

Mrs. Mahon moved approval. (4-0) SO VOTED

Request for Awning Permit

195 Mass. Ave.

Marla Hiderbrand-Chae, proprietor, was present.

Mr. Hurd moved approval. (4-0) SO VOTED

Automatic Amusement License/Transfer

Papa Gino's, Chris Luebcke, Manager, 457 Mass. Ave.

Mr. Hurd moved approval. (4-0) SO VOTED

For Discussion: Non-Premise Car Dealer License

Gerald Fimiani, 72 Brantwood Road, Arlington. Town Counsel explained that the Town has never issued one of these types of licenses. Mrs. Mahon moved to table the matter to the next meeting. (4-0) SO VOTED

Request for Book Recycling Storage Container on Municipal Property

Corinne M. Rainville, Town Clerk

Mr. Hurd moved to table the matter. (4-0) SO VOTED

Petition Regarding Home with Fire Damage/Traffic Concerns

Susan Lockwood and Bow Street Residents

Ms. Lockwood, 24 Bow Street, was present with many of her neighbors to discuss neighborhood traffic and speeding problems as well as a home located at 60 Bow Street in a state of disrepair as a result of fire damage.

The Town Manager indicated that the Police Chief and Building inspector have both been investigating the neighborhood's concerns. He indicated that construction is estimated to begin within the next three weeks at 60 Bow Street.

The Board requested that the Manager report back to the Board on the matters at their meeting of October 16th.

TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS/OTHER BUSINESS

Request for United Nations Day Proclamation

Mrs. Dias moved approval. (4-0) SO VOTED

Request for 30 Permits for Parking at Russell Common

From 12/1/00 – 2/28/01

Mr. Bob Mirak, 1125 Massachusetts Avenue was present to request 27 Parking Permits for 60 days for the Municipal Parking Lot. Mr. Hurd moved to refer the matter to the municipal parking subcommittee. (4-0) SO VOTED

Request for Residential Handicap Parking

71-73 Amsden St.

Mrs. Mahon moved approval for a 90 day period and that the matter be on agenda in 3 months.

(4-0) SO VOTED

Annual Congress of Cities Conference, December 5-9, 2000, Boston, MA

National League of Cities, Selection of Voting Delegate

Mrs. Dias moved to select Mr. Lyons as the voting delegate. (4-0) SO VOTED

For Approval: Hackney/Livery Regulations (Revised) (8/21/00 agenda)

Mr. Hurd moved approval. (4-0) SO VOTED

Arlington Heights Business District

(8/21/00 agenda)

Approval of Sticker Program

Chuck Pappas of Arlington Swiftly Printing, 1386 Massachusetts Avenue was present to speak against implementation of the program. Mrs. Mahon moved no action. (4-0) SO VOTED

Request for On Street Overnight Parking (8/21/00 agenda)

14 Fairmont St.

Paula Stanziani, 14 Fairmont Street was present. Mrs. Dias moved no action.

(4-0) SO VOTED

8:30 p.m.

CITIZENS' OPEN FORUM

Any matter presented for consideration of the Board shall neither be acted upon, nor a decision made the night of the presentation in accordance with the policy under which the Open Forum was established.

Joe Roselli, 14 Lake Street was present to inquire about two letters, from Dr. William John Spina on behalf of his father, written to the Board of Selectmen.

Dallin Moroni Statue

Opinion of Town Counsel

Town Counsel reported to the Board his confidence that the display of Dallin's statue on the grounds of Town Hall would withstand any constitutional challenge.

Reverend Roland Starr, 114 Ridge Street, indicated that he may be taking the matter to court, as he is opposed to the display of the statue.

Mrs. Dias moved to sustain the decision to display the statue on the grounds of the Town Hall Gardens. (4-0) SO VOTED

For Discussion: Park Avenue Bridge

The Chairman directed Ms. Cove to place the item on the next agenda.

Correspondence Received

Baker & Hostetler LLP Name change for Golden Restaurant Operations, Inc. Be Rec'd
Columbus, Ohio

David Driscoll Final FY01 Chapter 70 Aid & Spending Requirements Be Rec'd
Dept. of Ed.

Corinne M. Rainville Voting Accessibility for the Elderly & Handicapped Be Rec'd
Town Clerk

Franklin W. Hurd, Jr. Letter of appreciation Be Rec'd
Executive Director
Arlington Housing Auth.

Richard Shelby Higher natural gas prices expected Be Rec'd
American Gas Assoc.

Lauren O'Neal Letter in support of Moroni sculpture Be Rec'd
Exec. Director
Arlington Center for the Arts

Rizzo Associates Inc., Environmental Notification Form Be Rec'd
Mugar Parcel

Mrs. Dias moved receipt of correspondence. (4-0) SO VOTED

New Business

Ms. Cove updated Board on the plans for the Town Manager's retirement party.

Mr. Lyons explained that members of the Board would be touring the communities of the two finalists for Town Manager on Wednesday, September 20th. They will be visiting Stoughton, MA and Farmington, CT.

Mrs. Mahon expressed her concern about the short comment period set by the state for the Mugar Parcel. Alan McClennen, Jr., Director of Planning and Community Development explained that the Town may need to call on the services of a consultant during this process. Mrs. Mahon moved to allow Mr. McClennen to negotiate with a consultant for their services.

(4-0) SO VOTED

Mrs. Mahon requested that the manager respond to the memo from the Arlington Seniors inquiring about the painting and blinds at the Senior Center. She also reported to the Board about a meeting held with the Alewife Brook Study Commission where representatives of Cambridge were present.

Mr. Hurd reported on a meeting he had with the Central Street neighbors. He also inquired as to the status of the changing of the lights at Pleasant Street and Massachusetts Avenue. The Manager indicated he would report on the matter at the next meeting of the Board.

Mr. Lyons requested that the Assistant Town Manager prepare a memo for the Board's review outlining recent changes to the Procurement Law. He thanked Senator Havern for his promise to secure \$440,000 for drainage at Reed's Brook. He also commented on the ceremony on September 8th for the lights at Peirce Field.

Mrs. Mahon moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

A true record.

Attest:

Caryn E. Cove
Board Administrator